## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

September 11, 2018

The Honorable Donald J. Trump President of the United States of America The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We strongly support the request of the Governor of Iowa, Kim Reynolds, to appeal the decision of August 21, 2018, denying Individual Assistance under FEMA-4386-DR for Buchanan, Dickinson, Polk, and Winnebago counties. It is our understanding that since the August 1, 2018, submission of the request for a Presidential Disaster Declaration, an error was discovered in the assessment of apartment buildings in the City of Des Moines in Polk County. Therefore, the numbers were underreported from the Joint Preliminary Damage Assessment tool and were underreported to FEMA in its calculations. Thousands of Iowa residents were displaced because of the severe weather throughout the month of June and into early July and federal Individual Assistance is greatly needed. We ask that this appeal receive all due consideration.

Thank you for your time and prompt consideration of this appeal.

Sincerely,

**David Young** 

Member of Congress

Steve King

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Dave Loebsack

Member of Congress

Charles E. Grassley

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